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Proposed Bill No. 212

LCO No. 1557

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT CONCERNING REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS IN
MEDICAID DENTAL CARE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Commissioner
2 of Social Services to establish and enact measures that will enhance
3 and expedite the delivery of dental services to the Medicaid
4 population, such measures shall include, but not be limited to: (1)
5 Simplifying the provider application process, (2) creating a one-page
6 provider renewal process for existing providers whose provider
7 information has not changed in the past two years, (3) eliminating the
8 charge imposed on providers who file paper claims where the
9 provider serves the threshold requirement of patients, and (4)
10 eliminating prior authorization requirements for basic and routine
11 dental services specifically covered under the Medicaid program.

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce the level of paperwork and administrative costs involved in the implementation of Medicaid dental programs by lowering the barriers to provider participation.